

Special Public Notice

U.S. Army Corps
Of Engineers
Tulsa District

2017 Nationwide Permit Regional Conditions for the State of Oklahoma

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U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, TULSA DISTRICT

On January 6, 2017, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) published notice in the *Federal Register* announcing the reissuance of Nationwide Permits (NWPs), general conditions, and definitions with some modifications. The NWPs became effective on March 19, 2017, and will expire on March 18, 2022. On March 21, 2017, the Southwestern Division Engineer approved regional conditions for the NWPs in Oklahoma. These conditions apply to all activities authorized by NWPs. Regional conditions provide additional protections for the aquatic environment by ensuring that the NWPs authorize only those activities with minimal adverse effects on the aquatic environment. The Tulsa District has posted the regional conditions for NWPs issued in Oklahoma on our Regulatory webpage at:

http://www.swt.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Nationwide-Permit-Program/

On February 24, 2017, the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) issued conditioned water quality certifications (WQC) for all NWPs with the exception of NWPs 34, 48, 49, 50, and 54. ODEQ has denied WQC for NWPs 3, 13, 18, 41, 45, 46, and 53 in Critical Resource Waters (CRWs); and 34, 48, 49, 50, and 54 in all waters. The Corps will review PCN requests for verification of work for the NWPs denied WQC by ODEQ. If the proposed activity is determined to be within the parameters of a NWP, a provisional NWP would be granted conditionally upon the applicant receiving an individual WQC from ODEQ.

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Regulatory Office by telephone at 918-669-7618 or by email at david.w.carraway@usace.army.mil.

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